

SHEAR FASTENERS

ABSTRACT

A fastener element with a sheet-form base and an array of wedge-shaped engageable
5 elements molded integrally with a surface of the sheet-form base. The wedge-shaped
elements each have a steep side and a gradually rising side, and are arranged with their steep
sides all directed in a common sense, such that the array can engage a similar array of
oppositely-directed wedge-shaped elements to resist shear motion. The distal edges of the
wedges are curved in top view.

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